

The South Coast Festival of Birds & Biodiversity 2022 Program -Version of 25 March 2022

Festival website: <https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/> **Program – subject to change**

Date	Title	Details
JANUARY 2022		
1pm Thurs 13 Jan – Mon 17 Jan 2022	Balijup Fauna Citizen Science & Monitoring Weekend	Wide range of fauna monitoring and environmental activities. With Green Skills. and the Conservation Council Citizen Science Program, Free Event but people should come self-contained for camping and catering. For info and to register please contact Basil Schur 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au
Saturday 15 Jan Sunday 16 Jan	Mondurup View Fauna Monitoring & Citizen Science	TBC Mondurup View: Cockytube and Phascogale box monitoring activities on this Tenterden Gondwana Link property. With Eddy and Donna Wajon, Free Event but people should come self-contained for camping and catering. For info and to register please contact Eddy Wajon at wajonpub@bigpond.com or 0428 345 231
Thurs 20 Jan – Thurs 27 Jan	Chingarrup Citizen Science Australia Day camp	TBC Chingarrup Sanctuary: Birdwatching and malleefowl mound observation on this Boxwood Hill Gondwana Link property. With Eddy and Donna Wajon, Free Event but people should come self-contained for camping and catering. For info and to register please contact Eddy Wajon at wajonpub@bigpond.com or 0428 345 231
FEBRUARY 2022		
Wed 2 Feb 9am-11am	World Wetland Day Albany	"Meet the Birds of Lake Seppings" Join BirdLife on a walk around the lake to learn more about wetland birds. Meet at Lake Seppings Drive car park (Mira Mar side of lake). Free event. Registrations essential click HERE albanybirds@hotmail.com
Wed 2 Feb 8:30-11am	World Wetland Day Denmark-Birds and Biodiversity Guided Tour, Morley Beach	Wilson Inlet Guided Tour. Half Day Free event. Tour guides, Mark Parre and WICC's Shaun Ossinger. Meet at 8am at Denmark IGA Express. To Register and for more info contact Kirsty at enquiries@denmarkbirdgroup.org
Wed 2 nd Feb and Thurs 3 Feb 2022 9-4pm	WA Wetland Management Conference (Adjunct event)	To be held by the Wetland Centre, Cockburn at Wetlands Centre, 184 Hope St, Bibra Lake 16 . Green Skills likely to be represented on a South Coast theme. Celebrating World Wetland Day on 2 nd Feb https://www.worldwetlandsday.org/
Tuesday 1 Feb to Mon 28 Feb	Incredible Shorebirds! The Overwintering Shorebird Art exhibition	Focus on the miracle of shorebird migration. Art Exhibition at Vancouver Arts, Centre Albany. Shorebird prints from <i>The Overwintering</i> project project and Kate Gorringer-Smith www.theoverwinteringproject.com
Sat 5 Feb and Sun 6 Feb	Annual Shorebird Survey for Albany Harbours	BirdLife Australia's annual national summer shorebird (we include other waterbirds as well). For information contact albanybirds@hotmail.com .
Sat 5 Feb or Sun 6 Feb 7:30am	Annual Shorebird Survey for Denmark area	BirdLife's annual national summer shorebird survey (we include other waterbirds as well). Wilson Inlet For more information contact Kirsty at enquiries@denmarkbirdgroup.org
Thu 10 Feb 2021 9.30am – 3.30pm	Tootanelup and Boggy Lake Wetland BioBlitz and fauna surveying	TBC Citizen Science surveying of fabulous fresh water wetlands at Tootanelup, Perillup. With Geraldine and Steve Janicke and other citizen scientists. For info contact Basil Schur 98483310 or bschur@greenskills.org.au Free Event. Transport available from Denmark Registration essential - https://events.humanitix.com/tootanelup-wetlands-blitz
17 Feb to 17 March	Incredible Shorebirds! Denmark Shorebird Art exhibition	Focus on the miracle of shorebird migration. Art Exhibition at The Butter Factory Art Studios and Gallery, Denmark Shorebird prints from <i>The Overwintering project</i> (Includes focus on the Shorebird Overwintering project and Kate Gorringer-Smith www.theoverwinteringproject.com
Monday 14 Feb 2pm – 4.30pm	Albany Shorebird Event and Exhibition Opening	Focus on the miracle of shorebird migration. Part of the Shorebird Overwintering project and Kate Gorringer-Smith overwinteringproject@gmail.com and Presentations Venue: Vancouver Arts Centre, Albany. Register at https://events.humanitix.com/the-miracle-of-shorebird-migration-art-exhibition-opening-albany
Wed 16 Feb 9.30am -12.30pm	Denmark Bird Talks 5	A series of talks run by Denmark Bird Group. Speaker topics include Birds of Southern Forests and Rural Gardens, Fairy Tern Diet and Conservation, New Chances for Kyloring (Critically Endangered Ground Parrot), the Status of the SW Black Cockatoo. Venue: RSL Hall, Strickland Street, Denmark. Registration essential. contact Kirsty at enquiries@denmarkbirdgroup.org
Thursday 17 Feb 5-7.30pm	Denmark Shorebird Event and Exhibition Opening	Focus on the miracle of shorebird migration. Denmark opening of the Shorebird Overwintering Exhibition Venue: Butter Factory Studios For more information contact Janinne at woven2land@bigpond.com To register visit: https://events.humanitix.com/the-miracle-of-shorebird-migration-art-exhibition-opening-denmark
Sat 19 Feb 8.30am- 10.30am	Bird Photography Walk	Bird Photography Walk around Lake Seppings with renowned photographer Georgina Steytler from 8:30 - 10:30am. Hosted by BirdLife. Meet at Lake Seppings Drive carpark (Mira Mar side of the lake). For further info email albanybirds@hotmail.com This event is now full – no further registrations taken.
Sat 19 Feb 2-4.4-30pm & Sunday 20 Feb 8 to 11am	Denmark Shorebird ID Workshop and Field Trip to Morley Beach – with DBG and Birdlife WA	Denmark Shorebird Workshop with Birdlife's at Denmark Community Resource Centre, (Gallery Room), 2 Strickland Street, Denmark. To Register and for more info contact Kirsty at enquiries@denmarkbirdgroup.org
Sun 20 Feb 8am – 11am	Meet the Birds Along the Kalgan River	This tour will commence at 113 Riverside Road Kalgan with a view of the birds on the conservation reserve and on the property followed by a Biodiversity Walk along the Luke Penn Walk on the Kalgan River. Bring along a morning tea, sturdy shoes and binoculars. Meet at the above address at 8.00am. Free event (by donation) . Please register with Wayne Monks at wmonks@westnet.com.au or call 0499113193

Tues 22 Feb 2-3.30pm	Workshop: Learn to Identify Backyard Birds	Learn to Identify Backyard Birds. Workshop at Albany Library from 2 - 3:30pm. Register with the Albany Library on 08 6820 3600
Sa 26 and Sunday 27 February	Waterways Love Stories of Place	Taster Workshops with Nari Lees. This project has a focus on storytelling and/or performance. The Taster workshops focus on exercises that reflect your connection to local waterways. Contact 0403443730 for more info.
Sat 26 and Sun 27 Feb 2022	Soil Microscopy Workshops in Denmark	EarthWhile Australia presents Soil Microscopy Workshops Day 1 10am – 4pm Day 2 9am – 4pm at Denmark CRC 2 Strickland St, Denmark. 1 day-\$295 2 days- \$550 Inclusive of workbook, use of microscopes, and consumables Tickets through Humanitix or https://bit.ly/3qDf7TS
MARCH 2022		
Tues 1 March 3pm - 8pm	Threatened Birds Field Trip	Field trip to Waychinicup hosted jointly by BirdLife/Friends of the Western Ground Parrot focussing on endangered birds of the Albany region. Guest speaker: Regional ecologist Sarah Comer (DBCAs). Meet at Lower King Bridge car park. Sturdy footwear recommended. Also bring water and something to snack on. Limited places. Cost: \$20. Bookings required https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/850955
Wed 2 March 2022 1-5pm	Build your own cockatoo nest and learn where to place it and why	Talks by Larry Geno and Dean Arthurell. Option to build your own artificial Black Cockatoo Hollow. Hosted by Nullaki Cockatoo Nursery and Carnaby's Crusaders near Denmark. Registration by contacting Larry at NCN via Messenger or ph 0437860553
Thurs 3 March 2022 8.30am -12.45pm	Festival of Birds Symposium in Albany	TBC This main event of the South Coast Festival of Birds will be held at the University of WA, 35 Stirling Tce, Albany featuring high powered speakers including UWA's Dr Alison Lullfitz, Noongar Elder Lynette Knapp, Shandell Cummings, Susie Cramp and Emeritus Prof John Pate on soils and flora of SW WA. Morning tea provided. Info contact Green Skills 98483310. Cost \$10 per person- pay at the door. Registrations required: https://events.humanitix.com/festival-of-birds-symposium-in-albany More info at https://birdfestival.greenskills.org.au/
Thurs 3 March 5:30pm - 6:30pm	Albany Library Talk "Birds at Risk of Disappearing Forever"	Sarah Comer (Regional Ecologist, DCBA) and Anne Bondin (BirdLife Australia) will talk about South Coast birds we may lose forever. Free event at Albany Public Library, York Street, Albany 6330. Please register with the Albany Library: 6820 3600
Saturday 5 th March 9.15am – 4pm	Kwongkan, Black Cockatoo and Great Cocky Count Workshop	Kwongkan, Black Cockatoo and Great Cocky Count Workshop; Saturday 5 th March 9:15am to 4pm at Bremer Bay Community Resource Centre. Learn about Kwongkan Threatened Ecological Community, black cockatoos and how you can get involved in their conservation! This event will feature a fantastic line up of presenters, a field tour to nearby Kwongkan TEC sites and information on how you can be part of the Great Cocky Count - Western Australia's biggest black cockatoo survey! Register for FREE tickets at: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/265552122547
Thursday 9 March 5pm -7pm	Black Cocky and Great Cocky Count Workshop	With Merryn Pryor, Birdlife WA. At Denmark Community Resource Centre, Gallery Room, 2 Strickland Street, Denmark. Black Cocky Ecology and Upcoming Count Participation To Register and for more info contact Kirsty at enquiries@denmarkbirdgroup.org
Tue 8 Mar 8am - 1pm	Go Birdwatching with BirdLife Australia	Bring binoculars, lunch, sturdy footwear recommended. Join BirdLife's monthly excursion and learn all about local birds. Free event. Bring binoculars, lunch, sturdy footwear recommended. Registrations at https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/march-bird-outing-albany-bird-group-tickets-251708846937 Meet at 8am at Morley Beach the end of Morley Road in Youngs Siding. Bring a spotting scope if you own one. Wear shoes you don't mind getting muddy in case it is wet along the shoreline. We are planning to visit Morley Beach and Lake Nenamup as well as the eastern end of Wilson Inlet. Don't forget to bring morning tea, lunch and a chair to sit on. Any guests who don't own binoculars can contact us prior to the outing if they wish to borrow a pair.
Sat 12 March 9am – 10.30am	"Get to know birds by their call – Bird walk along Oyster Harbour Foreshore	Bird walk along Oyster Harbour Foreshore. Meet at the parking area adjacent to Lower King Bridge outside Coraki Cottages for a walk through bushland near Oyster Harbour. Learn how to identify birds by their call. Bring binoculars, hat, sturdy footwear. Free event hosted by BirdLife. Registration Required click HERE For more info contact albanybirds@hotmail.com
Wed 23 March 1pm - 2.30pm	Caring for Our Marvelous Wetlands. Where Agro-forestry meets Sustainable landcare	Wetlands& Agroforestry Field-day. Meet at the Denmark Wetland Centre at 40 Atkinson Road, Denmark. The College of Agriculture students with their tutor, Albert Adams will demonstrate how wetlands conservation and silviculture can work together. Other speakers include Anthony Wise of PF Olsen Pty Ltd and Basil Schur of Green Skills. To register go to https://events.humanitix.com/caring-for-our-marvellous-wetlands For further info contact Basil at email bschur@greenskills.org.au or 0429481019
Monday 28 March to Wed 30 March	Albany Wetland Summit Postponed due to Covid	Albany Wetland Summit: South Coast WA. <i>Land and Water management opportunities and solutions for the Albany Sandplains and North Stirlings Basin</i> For further info: Sophie Willsher, South Coast NRM Email: sophie.willsher@southcoastnrm.com.au

Postponed due to Covid		
APRIL 2022		
Friday 1 April 7-9.30pm	Denmark Mini-Eco-Film Festival Celebrating Nature, Conservationists and film makers	Denmark Civic Centre Friday 1 April 2022 Entry By Donation (\$10/\$15 recommended) Friday 1st April SESSION 1(Matinee) 4.30- 6.15pm Session 2 (Duplicate) 7:00 - 9:30pm Denmark Civic Centre 75 people Max per Session> Entry By Donation (\$10/15 recommended) Register Session 1 https://events.humanitix.com/copy-of-denmark-mini-eco-film-festival-by-donation-usd15-10-recommended-at-the-door/tickets Session 2 https://events.humanitix.com/denmark-mini-eco-film-festival/tickets For further information contact Basil Schur at 0429481019 This event is supported by the Shire of Denmark's Sustainability Program, the Denmark CRC, Green Skills, WICC and Gondwana Link. It forms part of the Festival of Birds & Biodiversity supported by Lotterywest and Birdlife WA For further info contact Basil on 0429481019 or bschur@greenskills.org.au.
Wed 6 April 2022 6pm – 8.30pm	Film Night – River	Harvest Film Night featuring 'River' an inspiring film See https://www.firstshowing.net/2021/river-film-trailer-about-the-relationship-between-humans-rivers/ Orana Cinemas, Albany Contact Film Harvest at info@filmharvest.com.au for details. Event info https://www.facebook.com/filmharvestgreatsouthern/
Sun 3 April 5.30pm – 7.30pm	The Great Cocky Count	The Great Cocky Count is a long-term citizen science survey and the biggest single survey for black-cockatoos in Western Australia. Registrations are now open! For further details, contact the Great Cocky Count Coordinator, Merryn Pryor at BirdLife Australia, E: greatcockycount@birdlife.org.au ph 08 93837749 Or visit the website - http://www.birdlife.org.au/projects/southwest-black-cockatoo-recovery/great-cocky-count-swbc
Thurs 7 April 12.30 – 3.30pm	Field Day- Salt Lake foreshores and shorebird conservation for the North Stirling wetland suite	A half-day field event focusing on the wonderful birds of the Cranbrook Lakes and practical ways to protect and regenerate salt lake foreshores for shorebird nesting habitat. Meet at Bella Vista Sheds, off Pootenup Road. From Cranbrook travel 15km from Cranbrook towards Katanning. Turn right into Pootenup Road and follow for 3.42km . Turn right into Bella Vista Drive way (500m down) There will be a range of guest speakers and visits to lake sites. Registrations essential click HERE (https://events.humanitix.com/caring-for-cranbrook-s-lakes-and-shorebirds)
Sat 9 April to Monday 18 April 2022	Great Walk Gondwana Walk	A 10 day camp and walk in the Boxwood Hill/Cape Riche area, east of Albany Walks across inspiring eco restoration properties in Gondwana Link between the Stirlings and Fitzgerald National Parks. For further information and registration see https://greatwalknetwork.org/9-17-april-2022-great-gondwana-coast-walk/ or contact Basil Schur at bschur@greenskills.org.au
Fri 15 April to Sat 23 April	Annual Art in the Porongurup 20 th Birthday Sculpture Exhibition	Friends of the Porongurup Range Art in the Porongurup Committee will hold this Sculpture exhibition Porongurup Hall grounds & trails, 2257 Porongurup Rd, Porongurup central to the Porongurup National Park, Twin Creeks Reserve, scenic walks and drives. Outdoor art will be free parking and toilets nearby. ART IN THE DARK Friday 22 April from 5.30pm: Guided torchlight tours of the sculptures... Music... Food available... BYO Book with Scott 9853 1110 For further info contact friends@porongurup.org.au

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